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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): LaPlace

Appln No.: 10/628,073

Filed: July 25, 2003

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
AUTOMATED FORMING OF SLEEVES  
FOR SLICED PRODUCTS

Art Unit: 3721

Examiner: Durand, Paul R.

Attorney Docket No.: 67505

Customer No.: 48940

Commissioner for Patents  
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08/04/05  
DateJon A. Birmingham  
Registration No. 51,222  
Attorney for ApplicantAMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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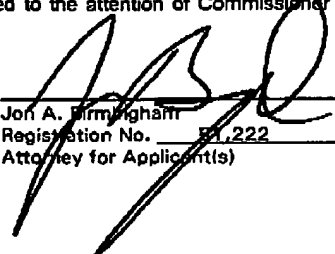
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Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

- ☐ An Appendix including amended drawing figures labeled as "Annotated Marked-up Drawings" is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Independent Claims	8	5	** = 3	x \$ 200.00	= \$ 600.00
Total Claims	12	28	* = 0	x \$ 50.00	= \$ 0.00
Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims				\$ 360.00	
** At least 3				Total Additional Fee	\$ 600.00
* At least 20					

- ☐ Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.27), thus reducing the fee by half to: \$ 0.00

Amendment Transmittal 1-0305

Application No. 10/628,073  
Amendment dated August 4, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of March 4, 2005

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge \$ 600.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

August 4, 2005  
Date

  
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